# **COMMISSION ON TECHNOLOGY MINUTES**

December 9, 2002 Special Session Meeting 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Arizona State Courts Building Conference Room 119 A & B 1501 West Washington Phoenix, AZ 85007

#### MEMBERS PRESENT

### **GUESTS**

# **AOC STAFF PRESENT** Dave Byers

Louraine Arkfeld

Mohyeddin Abdulaziz, TAC

Lisa Royal stand in for Kent Batty

Tom Adams

Maureen Haggerty Jim Ham

Michael Baumstark

John Barrett, TAC Tom Brady, CACC

Karl Heckart

J. William Brammer, Jr.

Janet Cornell, TAC

Paul Hrisho

B. Robert Dorfman Gordon Griller

Diane Drain Daniel W. Edwards, TAC Stephanie Nolan Pamela Pucetas

Jeanne Hicks Michael Jeanes Beverly Frame

Robert Roll

John Kennedy Donna Killoughey Sue Hall Kim Johnson Denise Lundin Janet Scheiderer Ted Wilson

Gary Kremarik Martin Krizay

Ruth McGregor

James Soto

**Edward Voss** 

Carol Merfeld, TAC

Sheri Newman

Patricia Noland, CACC

Eloise Price, TAC

Rick Rager

Marcus Reinkensmeyer, CACC

Will Tagart, TAC

### **MEMBERS ABSENT**

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# WELCOME AND OPENING REMARKS

Vice Chief Justice Ruth McGregor called the special session meeting of the Commission on Technology (COT) to order on December 9, 2002 at 9:30 a.m. Vice Chief Justice McGregor welcomed and thanked members, staff and for finding the time to attend the special session during the busy holiday season. Members introduced themselves giving their name and position.

**MOTION:** A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of the

November 1, 2002 Commission on Technology meeting. The motion

passed unanimously. TECH-02-21

Justice McGregor noted that the Commission did not have ample time to discuss the electronic document management system (EDMS) implementation approaches during the November 1<sup>st</sup> meeting. Also, she noted, the Arizona Judicial Council (AJC) has adopted guidelines in the Arizona Code of Judicial Administration that apply to EDMS. She mentioned that because court records are being dealt with, Chief Justice Jones has requested that the Commission make recommendations to the AJC. However, courts prepared to implement EDMS will be permitted to do so in a pilot mode.

### SUMMARY OF EDMS WORKGROUP RECOMMENDATIONS

Maureen Haggerty presented on behalf of the EDMS Workgroup summarizing the recommendations made at the November 1, 2002 Commission on Technology Meeting. She noted that the EDMS Workgroup amended its report to include a recommendation of a pre-implementation review process.

#### SUMMARY OF EDMS CONSIDERATIONS

Karl Heckart presented an overview of main issues to be considered in an EDMS implementation. He stressed the risks, the complexity of integration and the operational imperatives. He recommended the following:

- Establish Certification Standards
- Require Certification & Regular Audits
- Start EDMS in Pilot Mode
- Adopt Software/Product Standard
- Review/Establish Statewide EDMS Contract

# **DISCUSSION: EDMS DEPLOYMENT STRATEGIES**

There was considerable discussion among members on a variety of issues related to the EDMS Workgroup report recommendations.

MOTION: A motion was made and seconded to amend the EDMS Workgroup

Report recommendation "Pre-implementation Review Process" to specify that the review documentation and process be developed with in pilot implementations of EDMS. The motion passed unanimously.

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Continued discussion on the nature of the review ensued. Other topics discussed included the need for "image enabling" of the case management system (i.e. access to documents through the CMS and a single point of data entry), whether a review included certification or was just a report, whether allowing multiple products rather than adopting a standard product would create too great a support (integration programming for the CMS) requirement, and the need for standard codes to allow for sharing of documents across the court system. It was also clarified that the pilot could include more than one court as several were indicating a desire to implement during fiscal year 2003.

MOTION: A motion was made and seconded to adopt the recommendations as amended in the Report of the Electronic Document Management Workgroup. TECH-02-23

Vice Chief Justice McGregor reiterated that Chief Justice Jones felt this was ultimately an issue that should come before the Arizona Judicial Council (AJC). Since it was agreed that courts could move forward on a pilot basis while developing review and implementation guidelines and standards, the AJC does not need to finalize an approach immediately. Members hoped to bring the issue to the AJC's summer or fall meeting.

# **CALL TO THE PUBLIC**

The meeting adjourned at 12:10 p.m.